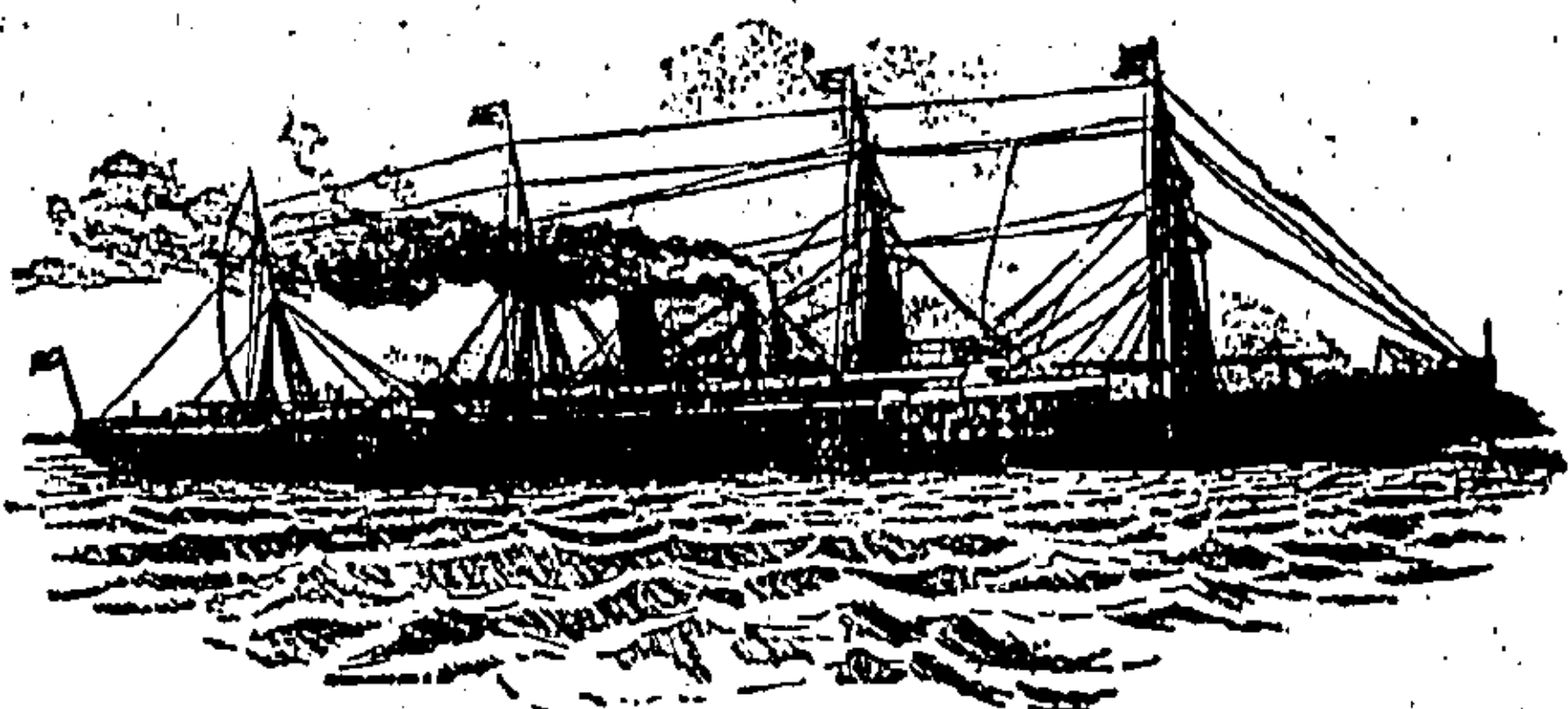






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TAKING PASSENGERS AND CARGO TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO,  
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"AMERICA MARU" ... 6,307 Gross Tons...	FRIDAY, 18th December, at Noon.
"KOREA" ... 11,276 "	SATURDAY, 26th December, at Noon.
"GAELIC" ... 4,205 "	SATURDAY, 2nd January, 1904, at Noon.
"HONGKONG MARU" ... 6,307 "	SATURDAY, 9th January, at Noon.
"CHINA" ... 5,060 "	TUESDAY, 19th January, at Noon.
"DORIO" ... 4,784 "	FRIDAY, 29th January, at Noon.
"NIPPON MARU" ... 6,307 "	SATURDAY, 6th February, at Noon.
"SIBERIA" ... 11,284 "	SATURDAY, 13th February, at Noon.
"COPTIC" ... 4,352 "	TUESDAY, 23rd February, at Noon.

Record Trip Yokohama to San Francisco made by s.s. "KOREA," 11,276 tons, Oct. 18th-28th, 1902; 10 days, 15 hours.

THE T. K. K. Company's Steamship "AMERICA MARU" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on FRIDAY, the 18th instant, at Noon, taking Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe. Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

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## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.—(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

R.M.S. "EMPRESS OF JAPAN" ... 6,000 Tons...	WEDNESDAY, 16th December.
"EMPRESS OF CHINA" ... 6,000 "	WEDNESDAY, 13th January, 1904.
"ATHENIAN" ... 3,882 "	WEDNESDAY, 27th January.
"EMPRESS OF INDIA" ... 6,000 "	WEDNESDAY, 30th February.
"TARTAR" ... 4,425 "	WEDNESDAY, 10th February.
"EMPRESS OF JAPAN" ... 6,000 "	WEDNESDAY, 16th February.
"EMPRESS OF CHINA" ... 6,000 "	WEDNESDAY, 23rd March.
"EMPRESS OF INDIA" ... 6,000 "	WEDNESDAY, 20th April.
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THE magnificent "EMPRESS" Twin-screw Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO THREE DAYS IN 12 DAYS, "TARTAR" and "ATHENIAN" (14 DAYS) saving Vancouver with the PALATIAL OVERLAND TRAINS OF THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

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The attractive features of the Company's route embrace its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS, (second to none in the World), the LUXURIANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for same at Chicago-World's Exhibition), and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Railway passes.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.	Freight.
ARAGONIA	HAVRE, BREMEN and HAMBURG.	21st Dec.	Freight.
Forst	(Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).		
NURNBERG	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	25th Dec.	Freight.
Jabur	(Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG).		
SAVOIA	ROTTERDAM and HAMBURG.	1st January, 1904.	Freight and Passengers.
Deinat	(Calling at SINGAPORE).		
AMBRIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	10th January, 1904.	Freight.
Duckstein	(Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).		
WURZBURG	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	23rd January, 1904.	Freight and Passengers.
V. Binzer	(Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG).		
ALESIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	6th February, 1904.	Freight.
Schnefeldt	(Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).		
NUBIA	NEW YORK	About end of December, or beginning of January.	
von Hoff	NEW YORK		

For further Particulars, apply to  
HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,  
HONGKONG OFFICE,  
No. 11, Queen's Buildings.

Hongkong, 7th December, 1903.

## Shipping—Steamers.

HONGKONG, CANTON, MACAO AND  
WEST RIVER STEAMERS.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO  
STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., AND THE CHINA NAVIGATION  
COMPANY, LTD.

## HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

S.S. "HONAM" ... 2,365 tons...	Captain H. D. Jones.
"POWAN" ... 2,338 "	G. F. Morrison, R.N.R.
"FATSHAN" ... 2,338 "	A. W. Dixon.
"HANKOW" ... 3,073 "	C. V. Lloyd.
"KINSHAN" ... 2,360 "	J. J. Lossius.

Departures from HONGKONG to CANTON daily at 8 A.M. (Sunday excepted) and at 5.30 P.M. (Saturday excepted).

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Departures from Hongkong to Macao daily at 2 P.M. (Sunday excepted).	
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This steamer leaves Canton for Macao every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at about 7.30 A.M.; and leaves Macao for Canton every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 7.30 A.M.	

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"NANNING" ... 538 "	C. Butchart.
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Departures from Canton and Wuchow about five times every week. Round trips take about 5 days. These vessels have Superior Cabin accommodation and are lighted throughout by electricity.

Further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the—

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Hot and Cold Water throughout. Special Rates for Tourists.  
Launch Service for Guests.

For Terms, apply to

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THE MANAGER.

[1339c]

## INCANDESCENT GAS LIGHT.

The attention of consumers is drawn to the fact that  
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DR. AUER VON WELSBACH CO.,  
VIENNA,  
THE INVENTORS OF INCANDESCENT  
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ARE SELLING THE ONLY GENUINE MANTLES,  
The Price of which has been reduced to  
FIFTY CENTS per piece.

BEWARE OF INFERIOR IMITATIONS!

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DRESSMAKERS

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MILLINERS,

HAVE JUST RECEIVED

SMART READY-MADE

WINTER COSTUMES

OF THE

NEW FASHIONABLE

MATERIAL,

NOW SO MUCH IN VOGUE IN

LONDON.

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DUHR & CO., COELN.

STOCK ON HAND OF

AHRLEICHART, a red Abr Wine at \$18.50

GRAACHER, Moselle at \$16.50

LAUBENHEIMER, Hock at \$15.00

All per Case of 24 Quarts.

Price Reductions for Larger Orders.

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Hongkong, 16th October, 1903. [1259c]

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY,

LIMITED.

PORTLAND CEMENT.

In Casks of 375 lbs. net \$4.75 ex Factory.

In Bags of 50 lbs. net \$2.86 ex Factory.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.

General Managers.

Hongkong, 15th August, 1903. [19]

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A FIRST CLASS PILSENER BEER

guaranteed free from Salicylic Acid,

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Price \$10.50 per case of 48 bottles (quarts)

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Special Prices for Quantities.

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Hongkong, 10th January, 1903. [1914]

## Intimations.

## THE YOKOHAMA DOCK CO., LTD.

## No. 1 DOCK.

Length inside, 514 ft. Width of  
entrance, top 95 ft.; bottom 75 ft.  
Water on blocks, 27.5 ft. Time to  
pump out, 4 hours.

## No. 2 DOCK.

Length inside, 375 ft. Width of  
entrance, top 80.5 ft.; bottom 45.8  
ft. Water on blocks, 26.5 ft. Time  
to pump out, 2 hours.

THESE DOCKS are conveniently situated in Yokohama harbour and the attention of  
Captains and Engineers is respectfully called to the advantages offered for Dock-  
ing and repairing Vessels and Machinery of every description.

The plant and tools are of recent patterns for dealing quickly and cheaply with work,  
and a large stock of material is always at hand, (plates and angles all being tested by  
Lloyds' surveyors).

Two powerful Twin Screw Towboats are available for taking Vessels in or out of  
Dock, and for taking Sailing Vessels in or out of the bay. The floating derrick is capable  
of lifting 35 tons.

Steam Launches of Steel or Wood, Lighters, Steel Buildings and Roofs, Bridge  
Work, and all kinds of Machinery are made on the premises.

Tenders will be made up when required and the workmanship and material will be  
guaranteed.

The cost of Docking, and repair work, will be found to compare favourably with that  
of any port in the world.

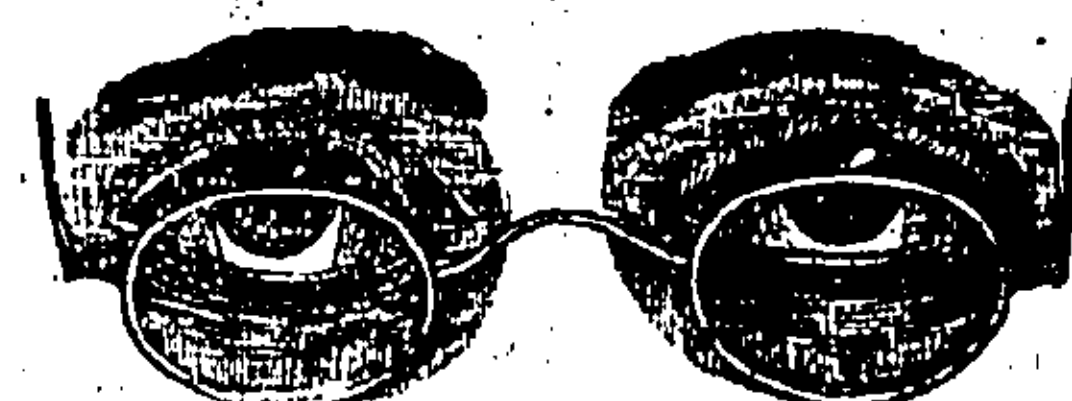
Telephone: Works, No. 506; General, No. 876.

Telegrams, "Dock, Yokohama," Codes A. I. and A. B. C. (4th).

Yokohama, May 11th, 1903.

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## EYE-SIGHT.



MR. N. LAZARUS

May be personally consulted for SPECTACLES.

No charge for testing the eyes.

Glasses and frames of all kinds and qualities.

Prices from \$2 upwards.

16, QUEEN'S ROAD, CENTRAL.

Hongkong, 6th November, 1903.

[6c]

## HOTEL CRAIGIEBURN,

PLUNKET'S GAP, the PEAK, near the TRAM TERMINUS, Tel. 56.

For Terms, &c., apply to the

Hongkong, 2nd July, 1900.

[17. ]

## VICTORIA REGATTA.

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY,  
16th and 17th DECEMBER, 1903.

OWNERS OF HOUSES situated in the  
Western Division of the City of Victoria  
who have not had their Premises LIMEWASH-  
ED and CLEANSED in accordance with Law,  
are reminded that the period during which this  
work should be FINISHED ends on the 31st  
day of December, 1903, and the Sanitary Board  
being convinced of the necessity of cleanliness  
in its efforts to stamp out Plague, is deter-  
mined to rigorously prosecute any owner in  
default after the above named date.

By Order of the Board,

G. A. WOODCOCK,

Secretary.

Note—The Western Division of the City lies  
to the West Tank Lane and Cleverly  
Street.

Sanitary Board Office,

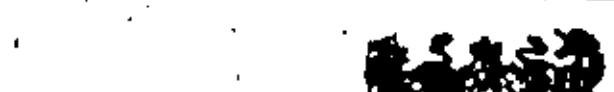
1st December, 1903.

[1450c]

## REGATTA HOLIDAYS.

THE EXCHANGE BANKS will be  
CLOSED for the Transaction of Public  
Business at 1 P.M. on WEDNESDAY and  
THURSDAY, the 16th and 17th instant,  
respectively.

Hongkong, 11th December, 1903. [1485c]



## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from  
the Military Authorities that heavy GUN  
PRACTICE will take place from Victoria  
Battery, Belcher Sub-district, on the 16th  
instant, and the residents within a radius of  
one mile of the Battery are hereby warned to  
keep the doors and windows of their houses  
open on that date to prevent damage to  
buildings.

Practice will commence at 9 A.M. and end  
about 11 A.M. if the Range is clear.

By Command,

A. M. THOMSON,

Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,

Hongkong, 8th December, 1903. [1475c]



## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the  
Military Authorities that GUN PRACTICE  
will take place from Stonecutters Island  
(West, East and South Shore Batteries) on the  
16th instant, and the residents within a radius of  
one mile of the Battery are hereby warned to  
keep the doors and windows of their houses  
open on that date to prevent damage to  
buildings.

Practice will commence at 9.30 A.M. on the  
16th instant, and at 9 A.M. on the 17th instant,  
and end at 11 A.M. daily, if the range is clear.

By Command,

A. M. THOMSON,

Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,

Hongkong, 15th December, 1903. [1425c]

F. BLACKHEAD & CO.,  
SHIP-CHANDLERS, SAILMAKERS,  
COAL AND PROVISION MERCHANTS,  
NAVAL CONTRACTORS AND  
GENERAL COMMISSION AGENTS,  
PRAYA CENTRAL HONGKONG  
SOAP MANUFACTURERS.

SOLE AGENTS FOR  
HARTMANN'S RAKTJEN'S GENUINE  
COMPOSITION RED HAND  
RAND, HARTMANN'S GREY PAINT  
DAIMLER'S PATENT MOTOR  
LAUNCHES,  
&c. &c. &c.

Sole Agents for  
FERGUSON'S SPECIAL CREAM  
and  
P. & O. SPECIAL LIQUOR SPOCK  
WHISKY, &c.  
EVERY KIND OF  
SHIP'S STORES AND REQUISITES  
ALWAYS IN STOCK  
AT  
REASONABLE PRICES.



## RUSSIA AND JAPAN.

## THE JOURNEY OF THE "DAY" AND THE "TSAREVITCH."

Sometimes in church-I have sat and watched the little leaden doll which ascends the board by the side of the organ, showing the pace at which the wind is running out of the bellows, and there is a fascination in noting its course and in wondering what would happen if the wind was not replenished in time. I feel something of the same fascination in watching on the map the movements of the Russian warships, the *Bayan* and *Tsarevitch*, which are bound for Chinese waters. They passed through the Suez Canal a fortnight ago, and they will put into some Southern Indian or Ceylonese port to coal. Before they reach Port Arthur, in all probability, the great question whether there will be war this winter between Japan and Russia will have been settled.

That the great talk of conciliation both in Russia and Japan, while rumours of mobilisation come from Moscow and Tokio, does not absolutely point to peace, for immediately before the commencement of most wars one or both of the adversaries are sparing for time and loudly calling out that there is no intention of a serious fight. It was so just before the Spanish-American War, when the Government of the United States knew that a conflict was inevitable, and discovered that the stores of powder were not sufficient and that there was no preparation for the mobilisation of a large army and its transit across the sea. War then was, according to all the mouthpieces of the American Government, quite an impossibility, and a pacific solution of the quarrel was certain.

If war does come between Japan and Russia, it will come with startling suddenness, and the first news of it might well be that Admiral Togo had, between Hongkong and Port Arthur, snapped up the two Russian warships now on their way out, or that a great naval battle had been fought by the Japanese to cover the landing of their troops on the Korean coast. If the *Bayan* and the *Tsarevitch* arrive at Port Arthur without war having been declared, I shall put away my map of China for a year.

RUSSIAN PREPARATIONS. There could be no mistake, even to a casual observer like myself, when I was at Cronstadt this autumn, that the dockyard there was getting ready ships in feverish haste, for the hammers rang day and night, and at the shipbuilding shed on the Neva just outside St. Petersburg there was also much energy. The Tsar had attended the launch of two ships-of-war the day before I reached St. Petersburg and had rewarded with extra pay every official and workman in the Arsenal, and in the various docks floated battleships and cruisers in various stages of completion, the workmen upon them looking like swarming bees. Russia has built up a great military force in Manchuria, and how many fighting-men she has there only a few high Russian officials know. She has sent out thousands of soldiers through the Suez Canal, and she has poured men in by the railway, where no foreigner keeps tally. Beside the men who are visibly soldiers, Russia has in Manchuria a great number of workmen employed on railway-work, and these, so I am told, are no civilians, but are picked men of Russian regiments who can drop the pick and take up the rifle at a moment's notice.

THE RUSSIAN SOLDIER. The ordinary Russian soldier does wonderfully well with very little food and very little transport; but he is not a first-class modern fighting-man, for he lacks intelligence and initiative and he is not a good shot; but it is quite likely that, if the Japanese do meet a Russian Army, they will find themselves opposed by some of the very best of the Russian troops. A Russian once gave me his view as to the possibility of the invasion of India, and one remark he made struck me and has remained in my memory. "When your native troops cross swords with our cavalry, do not suppose that you will meet only irregulars. When we march into India it will be with a small army, but because of this, it will consist of the very best troops that Russia can put into the field."

THE JAPANESE ARMY. The Japanese Army I have not seen for ten years and more, but when I used to go at intervals on trips to the land of the Chrysanthemum, I saw something of their soldiers at work, and I admired their energy and endurance, and above all the fervent spirit of patriotism which ran through all ranks. I used to meet in the environs of Tokio the non-commissioned officers engaged on reconnaissance work, and they showed an aptitude for this which no European nation has. I was with one of their infantry brigades for a week of the big manoeuvres, and the manner in which the little fellows, carrying a tremendous load, marched all day long without any signs of fatigue was wonderful. In those days Japan had a better military rifle than we had, and when all Europe took only light guns on to the field of battle, not yet having learned the lessons of the Boer War, I saw the Japanese arsenals stored with heavier ordnance than any of her critics thought was necessary. I want one of the battle-fields of the Satsuma rebellion, and there was one pass where no turning movement was possible, where the Mikado's soldiers took breast-work for breast-work by hand to hand fighting, which looked the most impregnable position I ever saw. In the Chinese War the Japanese never had an opportunity of showing what they can do for the Chinaman never stood long enough to make a good fight; but in an attack I should think that no European troops would be their superior.—Sketch.

## Notice of Firm.

DURING MY ABSENCE, DR. KNEW will continue my Practice. CHADWICK, NEW. Hongkong, 9th December, 1903. (1477)

## Auction.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION,

on

FRIDAY, the 18th December, 1903,

and

SATURDAY, the 19th December, 1903,

commencing Each Day at 2.30 P.M.,

at his Sale Rooms, DUNDRELL STREET,

A FINE COLLECTION OF

JAPANESE ART CURIOS AND

EMBROIDERIES,

Comprising—

Fine SATSUMA VASES and BOWLS, OLD

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PICTURES and HANGINGS (by Nishimura),

Also

Some Very Fine SILK EMBROIDERED

HANGINGS and SCREENS.

TERMS—As usual.

On View from Thursday, the 17th December,

1903.

GEO. P. LAMBERT,

Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 11th December, 1903. (1489)

## For Sale.

## FOR SALE.

ONE SIMPLEX PIANO PLAYER, by KOHLER and CAMPBELL, and 12 Music Sheets. Just received from the Makers. At Manufacturers' Price, very cheap.

For Particulars, apply to

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Hongkong, 8th December, 1903. (1474)

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INCANDESCENT GASOLINE LAMPS

OF ALL DESCRIPTIONS, from the best makers.

INCANDESCENT MANTLES,

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GLOBES,

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LAMPS

at the most moderate

prices.

Lamps fixed up for

Buyers free of charge.

Naphtha of the best

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TAT KWONG CO.,

55, Lyndhurst Terrace,

Hongkong, 1st December, 1903. (1375)

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE

COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above

Company are prepared to accept First

Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at

CURRENT RATES.

SIEMSEN & Co.

Hongkong, 28th May, 1903. (136)

## Consignees.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"SIMLA,"

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND

STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named

vessel are hereby informed that their Goods

are being landed and placed at their risk in the

Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown

Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each

consignment will be sorted out mark by

mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as

the Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo—

From London, &c., ex S.S. *Victoria*.

From Calcutta, ex S.S. *Sardaria*.

From Penang, &c., ex B. I. S. N. and

B. & P. S. N. Co.'s Steamers.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless

instructions are given to the contrary before

1 P.M., TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 13th instant, at

4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in

any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the

Godowns for examination by the Consignees'

and the Company's representative at an

appointed hour.

All Claims must be presented within ten

days of the steamer's arrival here after which

they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods

have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT,

Superintendent.

Hongkong, 7th December, 1903. (14)

## "BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "BENLOMOND,"

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON AND

STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby

informed that all Goods are being landed

at their risk into the Hongkong and Kowloon

Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns

whence and/or from the wharves delivery may

be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods

have left the Godowns, and all Goods unde-

livered after the 13th instant will be subject

to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be

presented to the Undersigned on or before the 20th

instant, or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are

to be left in the Godowns, where they will be

examined on the 12th instant, at 11 A.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 7th December, 1903. (1467)

## Consignees.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON AND

STRAITS.

THE Steamship

"GLENHARRY"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees

of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their

Goods are being landed at their risk into the

Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf

and Godown Co. Limited, at Kowloon, where

each consignment will be sorted out mark by

mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as

the Goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 13th instant will be

subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

All damaged packages must be left in the

Godowns, and a certificate of the damage

obtained from the Godown Company within

ten days after the steamer's arrival, after which

no claims will be recognised.

MCGREGOR BROS. & GOW.

Hongkong, 7th December, 1903. (1470)

THE PORTLAND AND ASIATIC

STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "INDRASAMHA,"

FROM PORTLAND (OR), YOKOHAMA,

Kobe and MOJI.

THE above steamer having arrived, Consignees

of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their

Bills of Lading for Countersignature

and to take immediate delivery of their

goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel

will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk

and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in

any case whatever.

ALLAN CAMERON,

General Agent.

Hongkong, 8th December, 1903. (1266)

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORTH OCEAN HAMBURG-AMERIKA

LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"KIAUTSCHOU,"

of the HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE,

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby

informed that their Goods, with the exception

of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being

landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns

of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and

Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence

delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless

notice to the contrary be given before 2 P.M.,

TO-DAY.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods

have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining

undelivered after 17th December, will be

subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are

to be left in the Godowns, where they will be

examined on THURSDAY, the 17th December,

at 10.30 A.M.

All Claims must reach us before the 22nd

December, after which no claims will be

recognised.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the

Undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LOVON

MELCHERS & CO.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 10th December, 1903. (161)

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per Steamship

"AMERICA MARU,"

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees

of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their

Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to

take immediate delivery of their Goods from

alongside.

Cargo impeding discharge and undelivered

by MONDAY, the 14th instant, at 10 A.M.,

will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk

and expense.

J. STUART THOMSON,

Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 10th December, 1903. (161)

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION

COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND

SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"KUMSANG,"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees

of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their

Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining

on board after SATURDAY, the 12th instant,

at 5 P.M., will be landed at Consignees' risk and

expense into Godowns at East Point.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 11th December, 1903. (1488)

THE NEW FRENCH REMEDY

TRADE MARK







## TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's.)

## Russia and Japan.

LONDON, 10th December.

The Times Tokyo correspondent wires that, after the arrival of the Russian Squadron at Chemulpo, M. Pavloff accompanied by the Admiral had an audience with the Emperor and, it is believed, renewed the protest against the opening of Yongampo. It is declared that Japan is resolved not to yield an inch from her present moderate standpoint.

## Lord Roberts' Retirement.

Lord Roberts denies the rumours of his impending retirement.

LATER.

## Opening of the Japanese Diet.

The Mikado, in opening the Diet, referring to the situation, only said that his Ministers were now conducting with prudence and circumspection important international negotiations for the preservation of peace in the Far East and for Japan's rights and interests.

## WATER RETURN.

Level and Storage of Water in Reservoirs on the 1st December.

	1902.	1903.
Tytam... overflow	11' 10" below	9' 7" below
Pokfulam... overflow	15' 9" below	13' 1" below
Wong-nai... overflow	38' 7" below	16' 2" below
Cheong... overflow		
STORAGE GALLONS.		
Tytam...	298,900,000	307,725,000
Pokfulam...	32,500,000	37,915,000
Wong-nai...	1,057,000	12,816,000
Total...	332,517,000	358,456,000

Consumption of Water in the City of Victoria and Hill District during the month of November.

	1902.	1903.
Consumption...	67,835,000	119,070,000 gallons
Estimated population...	216,400	221,300

Consumption per head per day... 10.4 18.0 gallons

Intermittent supply in force during the whole of November 1902; constant supply during November, 1903.

Consumption of Water in Kowloon Peninsula during the month of November.

	1902.	1903.
Consumption...	15,933,000	13,465,000 gallons
Estimated population...	59,000	64,900

Consumption per head per day... 9.0 6.9 gallons

The Government Analyst reports that the water is of excellent quality.

W. CHATHAM,  
Water Authority.

## COUNT CASSINI ON MANCHURIA.

RUSSIAN OUTSPOKENNESS.

A representative of the *Revue Diplomatique* has had a conversation with Count Cassini, who was in Paris recently, in the course of which his Excellency made the following remarks:—

"Japan has decided not to have recourse to arms, peace is no longer threatened, there is reason to rejoice. In any case, the initiative of war will never come from the Russians, you may be sure of that. You see the Japanese have great qualities to which Europe has lately rendered full homage. Have these compliments turned their heads, or having only been quite recently admitted to the concert of the Powers, do they display that turbulence and impatience peculiar to youth both in nations and individuals? In any case, they seem to us to manifest exaggerated activity. Their victory over China has developed in them a self-assurance that might become dangerous if they did not listen to the advice of older nations. But just try and make the Japanese understand that their campaign in China was, after all, only a *promenade militaire*. On the other hand, this young people ardently desires territory for its surplus population. Although there is so much to be done in Formosa, they do not find it sufficient; they want other outlets. That is the secret of their agitations. Our rights in Manchuria are unquestionable. We made the country. When I was in China it was full of bandits. The dregs of the neighbouring populations were concentrated there, and travelling was dangerous. Now, however, although there is not as much security as in Paris, and St. Petersburg, we can say in all truth that a vigilant police is suppressing attempts on life and property. It is civilisation that we have brought into the country. Does that mean that we intend to annex it? Certainly not, but we have spent enormous sums of money and enormous energy; we have great interests involved which we are bent on securing, and at the same time, we want to reap the legitimate benefit of our efforts. That benefit will not be for ourselves only. The Powers that want to trade with Manchuria will be able to do so, and thus to profit by the advantages which we have realised. They are so well aware of that none of them, unless it be Japan, thought of demanding seriously that our evacuation, fixed for October 31st, should take place. To tell the truth, Russia can only evacuate the territory in question, after having obtained from China the guarantees she is entitled to claim. She is waiting for them."

## CANTON NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

CANTON, 11th December.

ROBBERS.

A veritable crusade is being carried on against the robbers in the Tung Kun district. For some years Tung Kun has been noted for the number of bandits in it. The leaders levied blackmail right and left. If the demands were not complied with, houses and even villages were burned. This year things have been getting worse. The local officials have complained again and again that their forces were by far outnumbered by the robbers. A few months ago the Viceroy gave orders to clean out the district of all these rascals. The first move was to capture the cause of all the trouble. This was the man known as Ma Wong Hoi. He was taken some months ago in a village not far from Shek Lung, called Shek Po. The villagers refused to give him up and the officer in charge of the search party ordered the village to be destroyed. About seven tenths of the houses were burned and two score and more of the villagers killed. Ma Wong Hoi was captured and soon after beheaded. The officer is still at work with his soldiers. Fifty or sixty men have been taken. Nearly all of these are worthless characters and many of them robbers. Of these, twenty have been beheaded and upwards of twenty more have been sent to death and will be executed in a few days. As usual, in a raid like this, some innocents have had to suffer. The villagers of Tung Kun love clan-fights and during the past three or four years, there have been two or three hundred such fights. Now these clans are taking advantage of the present opportunity to pay off old scores. Accusations are being sent to the officer by one village against another and, almost without exception, the accused parties are arrested. Torture is applied and a number of persons have been convicted and sentenced to death who are guilty of minor offences. They were forced by the torture to confess themselves guilty.

This week a number of accusations were made against the village of Shui Wan, a suburb of Shek Lung, and as a result of these a number of individuals have been arrested, and the officer has had seventeen houses destroyed. The officer in command sends word to the elders of the village to hand over all the robbers. Sometimes the names of the parties wanted are given. If the request is not complied with, orders are given to tear down and burn a certain number of houses. In this way the innocent suffer with the guilty. Heavy fines are also levied upon villages known to have harboured robbers or to have given food to them. One passage boat accused of having carried supplies for Ma Wong Hoi is now in difficulty, and the small sum of \$20,000 is demanded for atonement for the offence. It is reported now that all the noted robbers have left the district and that it is safe to travel anywhere in Tung Kun. This is the usual method with these bandits. When the chase gets too hot they go elsewhere and wait until it is safe to return.

## LAUNCH OF A JAPANESE GUNBOAT.

AT SHANGHAI.

The following details are to hand concerning the Japanese river gunboat *Sumida*, built by Messrs. Thornycroft in England, and put together by Messrs. Farnham Boyd and Co., which was successfully launched on the 5th inst. The *Sumida* is a shallow-draught river gunboat and was built in England by Messrs. Thornycroft in ten separate floatable sections. She is 145ft. long, 25ft. broad and with a load of 30 tons draws 2ft. of water. The hull is constructed of mild steel and the sides above the water line are of Harveyised steel. The sections which came out here on a Japanese steamer are bolted together with double frames. She has nine transverse water-tight bulkheads and a longitudinal bulkhead in the engine-room. The upper deck is supported by steel columns, girders and cross beams, sufficiently strong to enable guns to be fired and troops carried. There is a conning tower on the upper deck on top of which is a powerful searchlight. The steering gear consists of two rudders worked by two steam steering engines, one in the engine-room and the other on the upper deck. She is fitted with two of Thornycroft's patent turbine-type propellers working in tubes. She has two sets of double compound, surface condensing engines to drive two propellers at a pressure of 140 lbs. to the sq. inch. Steam is taken from two Thornycroft water tube boilers of the Speer type. On her trial trip in England with her propellers making 290 revolutions per minute, she made 13.2 knots. In most respects she is similar to the British gunboat *Woodcock*. Her full complement is 20 men.—N. C. D. News.

## THE BRITISH INDIA EMPIRE.

A blue-book published last month by the British Government contains figures about the Indian Empire which are full of interest. While the population of that territory is over 294,000,000 less than 3,000,000 are Christians. In an analysis of the population according to "occupation" nearly 4,000,000 are supported by servants engaged in the administration of the State, 130,000 by sports, 2,500,000 by husbandry, 2,300,000 by butchers and shopkeepers, while tailors, milliners, and dressmakers have to find support for over 1,000,000 people. A glance at religion shows that Hindus number over 200,000,000, Mohammedans 61,000,000, and Buddhists less than 10,000,000. The complex work in India is further evidenced by the great number of languages—there being no fewer than forty-two Indian, eleven Asiatic, and nineteen European languages spoken in the Empire besides a greater number of dialects. There are 25,000 lepers and 150,000 deaf mutes, while no less than 350,000 never see the light of day. Those who can read Indian languages have 7,000 newspapers to glance at, and 1,312 are in English. The figures of the railways, exports, coinage, wild animals, and snakes are added together with an interesting and very detailed report on current prices in the various provinces and States.

## RAILWAY DEVELOPMENT IN CHINA.

A NEW SYNDICATE.

There has been so much and such continued disappointment from the delay that has taken place in the construction in China of railways, for which concessions have been granted to British syndicates, that it is a slight consolation to know that the lines from Shanghai to Nanking, and from Nanking northward, are actually being surveyed; although it is not known that the necessary capital for construction and equipment has been raised. It is disheartening to see that no progress is being made with the Hongkong-Canton line, for which a British syndicate has held the concession for some years; and it is not pleasant to hear it stated, as it is sometimes, that one of the reasons for the delay is that the concessionaires are very much interested in the Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Company with which the proposed railway would come into serious competition. It is refreshing to see the rapid progress that the Germans have made with their Shantung Railway, while the Belgians are getting on with the Lu-Han line, and are undertaking new concessions, and the French are intending to push on with their line from Tongking into Yunnan. The English-speaking nations which boast of themselves as being in the van of enterprise and progress are, curiously enough, the most backward in railway work in China; for the Canton-Hankow railway, of which no less than twelve miles were opened the other day, is now owned as to the majority of its stock, by the Belgians.

We are glad, therefore, to learn from the New York Sun that "a syndicate, which proposes a careful examination into the feasibility of Chinese railway development on a large scale, has been incorporated in New Jersey, U. S. A., as the China Investment and Construction Company of America, capitalised at \$1,000,000 (gold), on a blanket charter which gives it the power to own, operate, build, and sell railroads and docks, to own and operate mines, deal in real estate, conduct wharfage business, and manifold other things."

"A. W. Bash, who was instrumental in securing for the American-China Development and Railway Company a number of its concessions, is to make a thorough canvass of the situation and determine just what concessions can be obtained for the China Investment and Construction Company."

"Mr. Bash is now in China on this mission, and a report is expected in the late winter or spring. Until then no further plans will be made, and the decision whether the enterprise will be of a mining or railroad character, or will be a combination of both, will wait."

"Among the members of the syndicate are: Edwin Hawley, President of the Iowa Central Railroad; Charles J. Barney and Frederick Eldridge, President and Vice-President respectively of the Knickerbocker Trust Co. of New York; Thomas Oakes, formerly President of the Northern Railroad; J. W. Clise, President of the Washington Trust Co.; George H. Macy, the tea merchant; C. M. Hayes, Robert Oliphant, and others."

Men of wealth, position and influence in the world of finance, some of them personally interested in China and its welfare, are to be welcomed in an enterprise of this kind, because they are not going into it merely as promoters, who will sell out to anybody when they see a favourable chance, but as investors, who are anxious at the same time to contribute their share of effort towards the development of China. The existence of a network of American and English railways in China would be one of the best safeguards of the independence of the Empire, and one of the best obstacles to partition, and we can well understand the disappointment that intelligent Chinese officials feel when they see the American trunk line practically transferred to Belgium, and the English railways sticking in the paper stage.

Mr. A. W. Bash, who is once again visiting China as the representative of the China Investment and Construction Co. of America, was formerly a Collector of Customs in the United States; but being a personal friend of the Hon. J. W. Foster, who was counsel for China in the peace negotiations with Japan, he came with Mr. Foster to China with the view of investigating the opportunities for railway development in this Empire. After a conference with Mr. E. L. Hung-chan and the Tsungli Yamen, Mr. Bash returned home, and reported on what he had learnt to his friend ex-Senator Bruce, with the view of organising a syndicate to take up the question of railways in China. The result was the formation of the American-China Development Co., and Mr. Bash being then (and now) a large shareholder in it, was sent to China to negotiate in 1896 and 1898, his efforts resulting in the conclusion with the Chinese Government of the contract for the construction of the Canton-Hankow railway. After Mr. Bruce's death Mr. Whitridge, of Cary and Whitridge, assumed the management, and, in 1901, a controlling interest in the line was sold to the Belgians, the American company still holding the charter. There have been various rumours from time to time of probable changes in the management, the engagement of Belgian engineers, and so forth, but so far the line remains nominally at any rate American, while, with the exception of the coal-carrying line that the Peking Syndicate is building in the north, British enterprise, conspicuous as its operations are on the waters of China, has done nothing to add to the means of communication on land. And so urgently is improvement in the means of communication required in China, that we welcome railways by whomsoever built, so long as their construction is not made the pretext for the introduction of armies of "railway guards" as in unhappy Manchuria.—N. C. D. News.

## THE ASSEMBLING OF THE DIET.

In view of the approaching opening of the 19th session of the Imperial Japanese Diet, Tokio political circles are now somewhat animated. The Diet is convened for the 6th December and the opening ceremony will be held by the Emperor a few days later. Among other things, the election of a new President (Speaker) vice the late Mr. K. Kataoka is an absorbing topic of the day. Mr. K. Kohno, of old high treason fame, and who now belongs to the Progressives, is the most influential candidate. The so-called neutrals and imperialists, who are virtually ministerialists, eagerly support Mr. Kohno with a view to preventing the coalition of the Progressives, under Count Okuma, and the Seiyukai, formerly under Marquis Ito and now under Marquis Saionji. If the Seiyukai fail to espouse the candidature of Mr. Kohno, the Progressives, joined by some neutrals and imperialists, will probably form a Ministerial party in the Diet next session, but if the Seiyukai frankly vote for Mr. Kohno, the case will be quite different and the Progressives and the Seiyukai will conjointly present front to the Government.—N. C. D. News.

## COMMERCIAL.

TO-DAY'S INTELLIGENCE.

The London quotation for Hongkong Bank shares is wired out as £64, a drop of 10s.

Messrs. Benjamin, Kelly and Potts courteously favour us with the following telegrams:—

(1.) From Shanghai: "FARNHAM BOYDS have declared an interim dividend of Tls. 5 per share."

(2.) From Singapore: "RAUB.—The crushing (for four weeks) is 700 ounces smelted gold from 2,800 tons stone."

## WEEKLY SHARE REPORTS.

Messrs. Erich Georg & Co. write, under today's date, the following:—"The business done during the week under review has been comparatively small. Early in the week the market ruled very firm, and an advance in several stocks, principally Bank shares and Hongkong and Kowloon Wharves, was established; but with the exception of the latter stock the advance has not been maintained, although the general tone of the market is fairly healthy. The sterling demand rate on London is 1s. 8d., while the rates on Shanghai are the same as reported last."

Bank Shares.—Hongkong and Shanghai rose to \$90, but close quiet with a few shares offering at \$67½; the London rate is £64. Nationals unchanged.

Marine Insurance Shares.—Unions sold at \$48½ and \$49½ and have sellers at latter rate. China Traders are on offer at \$7½ ex the dividend of \$4 per share paid on 9th instant. Other stocks under this heading unchanged.

Fire Insurance Shares.—A few Hongkong sold and more shares are obtainable at \$310. China's have sellers at \$90.

Shipping Shares.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboats sold at \$34½ to \$34½, closing quiet but steady at latter figure. Indo-China has ruled steady, but the closing quotation is \$76 buyers; the latest quotation from the North is sales at Tls. 54. China and Manila's and Douglases have not been mentioned this week. Shells are easier, and after sales at 23s. to 22s. are on offer at latter rate. A fair business has been done in Star Ferries, and sales are reported up to \$30 for old and \$19½ for new shares, the stock closing with sellers at \$30 for old and buyers of new ones at \$19.

Refineries.—China Sugars have been done at \$105, at which rate they close steady; there are sellers on time at equivalent rates. Luzons unchanged.

Mining Shares.—Without any transactions. The Hongkong Telegraph of 5th instant prints the general manager's report on the Rao Mines for the four weeks ended 7th November.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company shares have ruled quiet with sellers at \$205. Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company shares sold at improving rates, and at time of writing \$53 has been offered and refused. New Amoy Dock shares are unchanged with sellers at \$38. Farnhams have dropped in the North, but the latest quotation by wire is Tls. 117½ buyers; we just learn by wire from the North that an interim dividend of Tls. 5 has been declared, payable on 22nd instant. Shanghai and Hongkong Wharves, after tumbling to Tls. 175, have buyers at Tls. 185.

Lands, Hotels, and Buildings.—Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company shares changed hands at \$151 and have further buyers; time business has been done at the equivalent of the cash rate. K. 1000 Lands are unchanged. West Points sold at \$52½. Hongkong Hotels have improved to buyers at \$148. Humphreys sold and can be placed at \$11.

Cotton Mills.—Ewo's have advanced in Shanghai to Tls. 40; other mills unchanged. The 8th ordinary meeting of shareholders of the Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co. Ltd. will be held on the 21st inst., transfer books are now closed until that date; we understand that a dividend of Tls. 4 per share will be declared.

Miscellaneous.—Green Islands have improved to \$24½ buyers and no sellers under \$25. Fair quantities of China Boreas have been taken off the market at \$8 and there are further buyers. Watsons changed hands at \$14½ and are on offer. Old Electrics sold and are wanted at \$12½ new shares can be placed at \$6½. China Providents sold at \$9½. Powells have buyers at \$9. Langkats close with sellers at Tls. 310. We have eliminated from our share list the Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited, same having gone into liquidation, also the Universal Trading Company, same having ceased to be a Public Company.

In their report, dated 11th inst., Messrs. Benjamin, Kelly and Potts state:—

The slightly increased activity in our market chronicled in our last report was unfortunately not sustained, and a smaller volume of business has been transacted during the week under review. The principal stocks, however, still maintain their position.

The Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Limited, has advertised its eighth ordinary meeting of shareholders in Shanghai on the 21st instant, till which date the transfer books are closed.

Banks.—The improvement in Hongkong and Shanghai Banks has further developed and shares are now quoted at \$67½. London wires £64 10/-. Nationals can be placed at \$30.

Marine Insurance.—Unions are quiet at \$48½. China Traders can probably be obtained at \$7½ ex the dividend of \$4 paid on the 9th instant.

Fire Insurance.—A few Hongkong Fires have been disposed of at \$510. China Fires remain dull at \$50.

Shipping.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboats have further advanced to \$32½, at which price shares have changed hands. Indo-China are easier at \$75. Douglas Steamships and China and Manila's are unchanged at quotations. Star Ferries have improved and sales have been effected at \$29 for the old, and \$19 for the new shares; the closing rates are \$30 and \$19 respectively. Shell Transports have reacted to £1 7/6. Taku Tugs are offering at Tls. 36. Shanghai Tugs (ordinary) can be procured at Tls. 52½; the preference shares have been sold at Tls. 47½. Refineries.—Further sales of China Sugars are reported at \$105.

Mining.—Nothing doing. The result of the November crushing at the Punjion Mines is 72 ounces of smelted gold from 900 tons of Swah ore. Shares are on offer at \$14. Chinese Engineering are quoted in Shanghai at Tls. 580.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks are weak at \$205. Farnhams have dropped to Tls. 118½, but shares can be placed at this figure. Hongkong Wharves have also further declined, latest advices from the North giving the closing quotation Tls. 105 buyers. Kowloon Wharves have continued to improve and are in demand at \$93.

Lands, Hotels and Buildings.—Hongkong Lands have been dealt in at \$151, and are in further request. Shanghai Lands are inquired for at Tls. 104. West Points have found buyers at \$52½. Hongkong Hotels have hardened and there are inquiries for shares at \$148. Humphreys Estates are wanted at \$11, and China Providents have been placed at \$9½.

Cotton Mills.—Ewo's, after sales at Tls. 35, have gone up to Tls. 40, at which latter rate shares are on offer. The company is to pay a dividend of Tls. 4 per share. Internationals are asked for at Tls. 25. There is no change in other stocks.

Cigar Companies.—Sumatras are firm at Tls. 52.

Miscellaneous.—Green Island Cements have risen to \$74 and there are buyers at the price. A. S. Watsons have again been done at \$14½. Electrics (old) have changed ownership at \$12½ and the new shares remain firm at \$6½. Hall and Holtz have been disposed of at \$34. Langkats fell to Tls. 307½ during the week, but have since recovered to Tls. 310 and business has been transacted at the latter rate.

## TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON, Telegraphic Transfer	118 7/16
Bank Bills, on demand	118 1/2
Credit 4 months' sight	118 1/2
D'ments 4 months' sight	119 1/2
ON BERLIN (demand)	117 1/2
ON PARIS, Bank Bills, on demand	214 1/2
Credit 4 months' sight	218
ON NEW YORK, Bank Bills, on demand	41 1/2
Credit 30 days' sight	41 1/2
ON BOMBAY, Telegraphic Transfer	127
On demand	127 1/2
ON SHANGHAI, Telegraphic Transfer	714
Private 30 days' sight	nom.
ON YOKOHAMA, T.T.	83 1/2
Sovereigns, Bank's Buying Rate	111.68
Gold Leaf 100 touch, per tael	60.60
Silver	254

## OPTUM QUOTATIONS.

To-day's quotations are as follows:—	Per chest
MALWA NEW	@ 920/950
" LAST YEAR	@ 920/950
" OLDEST	@ 1050/1100
PATNA NEW	@ 1180/1200
ISNARE NEW	@ 1180/1200
PERIAN (PAPER)	@ 800/850

## To-day's Advertisements.

BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM RANGOON AND STRAITS. THE Company's Steamship

"JELUNGA"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 5 P.M., TO-DAY, the 12th instant, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into Godowns at East Point. No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 12th December, 1903. [1492e]

## REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK.

(With Liberty to call at PHILIPPINE PORTS).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

1903.	About
"LOWTHER CASTLE"	19th Dec.
"SIKH"	21st Dec.
"SAGAMI"	5th Jan.
"LEYNOR"	15th Jan.
"AFRIDI"	27th Jan.

For Freight and further information, apply to DODWELL & Co., LIMITED, Agents.

Hongkong, 12th December, 1903. [1492e]

## To-day's Advertisements.

THE DAIRY FARM COMPANY, LIMITED.  
Town Office and Depot: Wyndham Street.  
Kowloon Depot: 57, Elgin Road.

FARMS AT POKFULAM.

THE Business and Working of the Company is wholly under European Management and Control, and everything possible is done to ensure Customers an absolutely clean and pure supply of Dairy Produce.  
Fresh Milk, Cream, Cheese, Butter, etc.  
House-fod Capons and Pork.  
S. A. SETH, J. WALKER, Secretary, Manager.  
Hongkong, 12th December, 1903. [1483e]

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION,

MONDAY, the 12th December, 1903, at 2.30 P.M.

at his SALES ROOMS, DUDELL STREET, A QUANTITY OF AMERICAN AND SCOTCH WHISKIES, SHERRY, PORT, CLARET, BRANDY, HOCK, CHAMPAGNE, &c. &c.  
TERMS:—Cash on delivery.  
GEO. P. LAMBERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 12th December, 1903. [1491e]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW. THE Company's Steamship

"HAILONG"

Captain Evans, will be despatched for the above Port on TUESDAY, the 15th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS, LAPRAIK & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 12th December, 1903. [1494e]

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS. FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA. THE Company's Steamship

"ANNAM"

Captain Girard, will be despatched for the above Ports on or about TUESDAY, the 15th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, 12th December, 1903. [1004e]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA. THE Company's Steamship

"YUENSANG"

Captain S. J. Payne, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 18th instant, at 4 P.M.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for First class Passengers, and is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Freight and Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 12th December, 1903. [1493e]

CHINA COMMERCIAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

司公限有船輪華中

FOR MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, SALINA CRUZ-MEXICO &amp; SAN FRANCISCO. THE Steamship

"CLAVERING"







## Shipping.

## Arrivals.

Eclipse, Br. cruiser, 5,600, Stokes, 11th Dec.,  
Kobe via Mitsui Bay 3rd Dec.  
Ambria, Ger. a.s., 3,285, Duckstein, 11th Dec.,  
—Hamburg via Singapore and Manila 29th  
Dec., Gen.—H. A. L.  
Holstein, Ger. a.s., 985, Hansen, 11th Dec.,  
Haiphong 9th Dec., and Hoibow 10th,  
Rice and Pigs.—J. & Co.  
Albion, H.M.S. battleship, 12,950, Jerram, 12th  
Dec.,—Kobe and Mitsui Bay 3rd Dec.  
Jelunga, Br. s.s., 3,360, Windebank, 12th Dec.,  
—Rangoon 27th Nov., Gen.—J. M. & Co.  
Whampoa, Br. s.s., 1,109, Lavers, 12th Dec.,  
Canton 11th Dec., Gen.—B. & S.  
Pascal, Fr. cruiser, 4,000, Sinis, 12th Dec.,  
Fochow 10th Dec.  
Kwongsang, Br. s.s., 1,427, Lake, 12th Dec.,  
Shanghai 8th Dec., and Swatow 11th, Gen.  
—J. M. & Co.  
Shakano Maru, Jap. s.s., 2,064, Suista, 12th  
Dec.,—Mojib 6th Dec., Coal.—D. & Co.  
Hikosan Maru, Jap. s.s., 2,302, Fujiki, 12th  
Dec.,—Kutchinotzu 2nd Dec., Coal.—N.  
B. & Co.  
Tientsin, Br. s.s., 1,227, Gibbs, 12th Dec.,  
Wuhu 8th Dec., Gen.—B. & S.  
Taishan, Br. s.s., 1,121, Jenkins, 12th Dec.,  
—Samarang 29th Nov., Sugar and Cotton.—  
B. & Co.  
Kashang, Br. s.s., 1,143, Brown, 12th Dec.,  
Shanghai 8th Dec., Gen.—B. & S.  
Rajaburi, Ger. s.s., 1,189, Wendig, 12th Dec.,  
Bangkok 1st Dec., Rice and Lumber.—  
B. & S.  
Kailong, Br. s.s., 1,025, Pennefather, 12th Dec.,  
—Manila 9th Dec., Gen.—B. & S.  
Hanchow, Br. s.s., 999, Mawley, 12th Dec.,  
Canton 11th Dec., Gen.—B. & S.

## Clearances at the Harbour Office.

San Chong, for Canton.  
Hongkong, for Haiphong.  
Illa Verde, for Macao.  
Hikosan Maru, for Kutchinotzu.  
Chowai, for Swatow.  
Hanchow, for Shanghai.  
Pak Kong, for Macao.  
Kwongsang, for Canton.  
Edendale, for Singapore.  
Meefoo, for Shanghai.  
Kwongchow, for Canton.  
Tientsin, for Canton.  
Haimun, for Swatow.  
Pronto, for Fochow.  
Wu Ping, for Wuchow.  
Winchait, for Canton.  
Kashang, for Canton.  
Taslar, for Manila.  
Chingtau, for Wuchow.  
Germania, for Tsingtau.  
Hoi Ho, for Canton.  
Loongang, for Manila.

## Departures.

Per Rubi, for Manila.  
Per Struve, for Haiphong.  
Per Hongkong, for Haiphong.  
Per Edendale, for Singapore.  
Per Toonah, for Canton.  
Per Diu, Portuguese gunboat, for Macao.  
Per Loongang, for Manila.  
Per Chingtau, for Wuchow.  
Per Meefoo, for Shanghai.  
Per Loongchow, for Canton.  
Per Haimun, for Swatow.  
Per Orono, for Singapore.

## Passengers arrived.

Per Jelunga, from Rangoon—Messrs. C. Harris, Hue, Dr. Jacobs, and 724 Chinese.  
Per Kwonggang, from Shanghai, &c.—Messrs. W. Meakin, G. J. Altman, and 65 Chinese.  
Per Kaifong, from Manila—Messrs. Rodriguez, Messrs. Jones, Scott, Brown, Stanley, Thomson, Carleson, Lundin Brown, Sullivan Brown, Wyatt, Lindley, Eisenheim, Baxter, Short, Westendorff, Peterson, Thomson, Wallender, Nordloff, Doby, Lannan, 33 Chinese, and 2 Japanese.

## Passengers departed.

Per Kawachi Maru, for London and the way ports—Mr. Richard Markwick, His Excellency the Governor and Lady Arnold de Novas, Misses E. de Novas, M. de Novas, Mr. Luiz de Novas, Lieut. and Mrs. J. P. Gonzalez, Count D'Obidos, Miss A. da Silva, Master A. da Silva, Mr. R. H. Morley, Capt. Pratt, Messrs. V. Marach, Wong Chuk, F. Mang, Capt. Lart, Messrs. Dorwelly, F. S. Souza, R. Semora, J. Heanley, K. Sugimori, K. Nakano, S. Kobayashi, S. Kato, K. Kodama, K. Omiya, D. Kerr, Munroe, Buto, W. Dickie, J. Burton, N. MacKay, R. Donaldson, Wong Chee Sam, Mrs. K. Tanabe, Major Ishimizu, Lieut. K. Takahase, and Consul K. Tanabe.  
Per Rohilla Maru, for Manila—Chas. H. W. Aiken, Messrs. H. B. Jones, A. W. Baums, Y. Chee Joo, A. C. Bryant, Wm. Kalvert, Miss E. M. Browning, Messrs. Y. L. Jam, Charles, Berberich, Agau Lang Yac, B. W. Caldwell, H. Morohashi, E. B. Copeland, R. H. McMullen, Miss Pearlita Clark, Mr. John W. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. John N. Currie, Mr. and Mrs. Rodriquez McKee, Messrs. H. Cayl, N. N. Noon, Yan Ah Chon, Kamelaro Oishi, Ching Y. Berro Palines, J. D. Dawson, Cheung Pak Seng, Mrs. E. K. Dinwiddie, S. C. Ridgeway, Chas. E. Edlin, Chas. A. Ratcliff, S. Fujisaki, Ernest H. Ruedigen, A. J. Francis, G. L. Seymour, G. Fujisaki, A. M. Sanchez, D. W. Fry, Thomas Shaffer, Amado Gorricho, Sozo Sugawara, Carl T. Gold, Yeto Tanaka, Miss Aide Handy, Messrs. Van Yoi, M. Hiroto, Capt. and Mrs. R. P. Wheat, Messrs. L. D. Hargis, Moss Wheat, Wm. Y. Handy, Geo. A. Webster, Cace Hi, H. M. Wade, Thomas L. Jenkins and F. G. Payne.

Per Rubi, for Manila—Hon. Beckman and Mrs. Winthrop, Miss Edith Smith, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Schlotfeld, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. McPherson, Messrs. M. Deleau, J. Hernen, Edmund Brunning, C. H. Fullerton, C. F. Paget, V. G. Joshi, C. Frunt, A. E. Moll, H. R. Lutz, E. Keller, Carlos Sackermann, J. I. Hoover, H. Herxter, B. H. Backe, Jagnath and D. Luicy.

## Shipping Reports.

Str. Kwonggang from Shanghai—Moderate and clear.

Str. Jelunga from Rangoon—Strong N.E. monsoon weather.

Str. Rajaburi from Bangkok—Strong N.E. monsoon with heavy sea, most overcast and rainy.

Str. Kaifong from Manila—Experienced fresh to moderate N.E. winds, overcast thick rain, sea moderate.

Str. Taishan from Samarang—Light wind and smooth sea up to Kapones, thence to port fresh monsoon and high sea.

Str. Kashang from Shanghai—Moderate to strong N.W. winds and sea, fine weather in general throughout passage.

## Ships Passed The Canal.

Outward—13th November—Satsuma, Yang Benary, Tze, Queen Mary, Japan, Wurzburg, 17th November—St. Kilda, 20th November—Annam, Bernicia, Hakata Maru, Dragoman, Anhui, Min, Radley, Auchencraig, St. George, 25th November—Shimosa, Alesia, Glenloch, Indradeo, Claverburn, Benledi, 28th November—Fyrus, Crusader, Tydeus, 1st December—Bayern, Howick Hall, Badenit, Breit-huel, Gloamin, Palermo, 4th December—Awa Maru, Nestor, Polynesian, Chardoun, 8th December—Carl Chenari.  
Homeward—13th November—Vindobona, 25th November—Sambia, 1st December—Java, 4th December—Preussen.  
Arrivals at Home—13th November—Ramberg, Inaba Maru, Konigsberg, Andalusia, 17th November—Savatra, 17th November—Seydlitz, Braemar, Bencluch, Ernest Simon, 20th November—Persia, 28th November—Htachi Maru, 1st December—Agamemnon, Abyssinia, Kentmere, Yarra, 4th December—Idomenus, Borneo, 8th December—Wakasa Maru, Pukling, Roon, Dharwar.

## Vessels in Port.

AMERICA Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,460, Going, 9th Dec.,—San Francisco 10th Nov., Honolulu 17th, Yokohama 1st Dec., Kobe 2nd, Nagasaki 4th, and Shanghai 7th, Mails and Gen.—T. K. K.  
Bourbon, Fr. s.s., 2,100, Souche, 11th Dec.,—Saigon 3rd Dec., Gen.—Wing Seng.  
Capri, Ital. s.s., 2,118, Belsio, 10th Dec.,—Bombay 17th Nov., and Singapore 29th Dec., Gen.—C. & Co.  
Chowtai, Ger. s.s., 1,115, Textor, 6th Dec.,—Bangkok via Swatow 25th Nov., Rice.—B. & S.  
Clavering, Br. s.s., 2,155, Barton, 11th Dec.,—Mojib 6th Dec., Coal.—C. C. & Co.  
Dajin Maru, Jap. s.s., 900, Ogata, 8th Dec.,—Tamsui via Amoy and Swatow 7th Dec., Gen.—O. S. K.  
Empress of Japan, Br. s.s., 3,003, Reeshaw, R.N.R., 24th Nov.,—Vancouver 3rd Nov., and Shanghai 22nd, Mails and Gen.—C. P. R. Co.  
Germania, German s.s., 1,714, Bruhn, 11th Dec.,—Canton 10th Dec., Gen.—J. & Co.  
Hailan, Fr. s.s., 377, Andersen, 10th Dec.,—Pakhoi and Hoibow 6th Dec., Gen. and Pigs.—A. R. M.  
Hoibow, Fr. s.s., 509, Merlees, 10th Dec.,—Haiphong and Hoibow 9th Dec., Gen.—A. R. M.  
Hopsang, Br. s.s., 1,359, Hay, 6th Dec.,—Hongay 3rd Dec., Coal.—J. M. & Co.  
Hupei, Br. s.s., 1,205, Mathias, 10th Dec.,—Iloilo and Cebu 5th Dec., Gen.—B. & S.  
Indrasamha, Br. s.s., 3,360, Graven, 7th Dec.,—Portland, Or., via Mojib 3rd Nov., Gen.—Allan Cameron.  
Kohsichang, Ger. s.s., 1,293, Spiesen, 2nd Dec.,—Bangkok and Ang Hin 21st Nov., Rice.—B. & S.  
Kumang, Br. s.s., 2,078, Buller, 11th Dec.,—Calcutta via Penang and Singapore 1st Dec., Gen.—J. M. & Co.  
Loyal, Ger. s.s., 1,236, Buhrmann, 7th Dec.,—Canton 7th Dec., Coal.—S. W. & Co.  
Machew, Ger. s.s., 996, Harges, 8th Dec.,—Bangkok 26th Dec., and Ang Hin 25th, Gen. and Rice.—B. & Co.  
Petchaburi, Ger. s.s., 1,375, Hillmann, 10th Dec.,—Bangkok via Swatow 9th Dec., Rice and Wood.—B. & S.  
Pakhoi, Br. s.s., 1,229, Meathiel, 8th Dec.,—Mojib and Dec., Coals.—B. & S.  
Petrarch, Ger. s.s., 1,251, Ahrens, 11th Oct.,—Sourabaya 30th Sept., Sugar.—S. W. & Co.  
Progress, Ger. s.s., 687, Bremer, 10th Dec.,—Swatow 9th Dec., Gen.—S. & Co.  
Prometheus, Nor. s.s., 1,023, Lersbyer, 8th Dec.,—Canton 7th Dec., Gen.—E. A. T. Co.  
Suising, Br. s.s., 1,776, Young, 10th Dec.,—Java 30th Dec., Sugar.—J. M. & Co.  
Teucer, Br. s.s., 1,596, Silverlock, 7th Dec.,—Mojib and Dec., Coal.—D. & Co., Ltd.  
Tosa Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,610, Christiansen, 9th Dec.,—Shanghai 6th Dec., Gen.—N. Y. K. Lines.  
Tritos, Ger. s.s., 1,033, Kraefz, 25th Nov.,—Saigon 19th Nov., Rice—flour and Gen.—S. & Co.  
Ulabrand, Nor. s.s., 1,269, Andersen, 9th Dec.,—Karatsu 4th Dec., Coal.—C. & Co.  
Wuchang, Br. s.s., 801, Sommerfeld, 11th Dec.,—Manila 8th Dec., Ballast.—B. & S.

## SAILING VESSELS.

Brilliant, Br. bq., 3,609, Cowlishaw, 23rd Oct.,—Shanghai 16th Oct., Gen.—S. O. Co.  
Aldrich, Geo. A. Hill, H. K.  
Allen, G. Hough, Dr.  
Bain, J. S. S. Lambkin, F.  
Bourne, J. S. S. Llanos, G.  
Burde, J. V. Morris, G. K.  
Cobb, Wm. R. B. K.  
Chandler, L. F. Schattachnes, Mr.  
Crosby, S. A. R. Schlechtweg, Gustav  
Gerrid, Capt. J. C. Schuster, Mrs. Von  
Gibson, Dr. Skerchey, Mrs. & child  
Halpin, F. Stappelfeld, M.  
Hertel, B. Stephens, H.  
Kew, Dr. F. Walters, S.  
Liddell, Mr. and Mrs. Widmer, Mr. and Mrs.  
Lopez, Amaro and child  
North, H. S. Wierthmann, Paul  
Pezaro, Lieut. T. Williamson, R.  
Petersen, A. Wolf, Richard De  
Pritwitz, A. V.

## Steamers Expected.

Vessels	From	Agents	Due
Rosetta Maru	Manila	T. K. K.	Dec. 13
Victoria	Japan	N. P. Co.	Dec. 13
Korea	Shanghai	P. M. Co.	Dec. 14
Annam	Saigon	M. M.	Dec. 15
Japan	Singapore	P. & O. Co.	Dec. 15
C. Apar	Singapore	D. S. & Co.	Dec. 15
Wurzburg	Singapore	H. A. L.	Dec. 15
Vindobona	Singapore	S. W. & Co.	Dec. 16
Tartar	Japan	C. P. R. Co.	Dec. 17
Azara	Manila	S. T. & Co.	Dec. 17
Emp. of China	Vancouver	C. P. R. Co.	Dec. 21
Namsang	Calcutta	J. M. & Co.	Dec. 22
San Francisco	San Francisco	O. & C. Co.	Dec. 24
Taiyuan	Sydney	B. & S.	Dec. 27
H'kong Maru	San Francisco	P. M. Co.	Dec. 31

## Hongkong &amp; Whampoa Dock Returns.

Vessels	From	Agents	Due
H.M.S. Amphitrite	at Kowloon Dock		
H.M.S. Janus	"		
Hailan	"		
Kiangpho	"		
U.S.S.T. Sacramento	"		
Kaipat	"		
Tarlic	"		
Kinshan	"		
Hankow	"		
Salamanca	"		

## Post Office.

A Mail will close for—  
Canton—Per Pinar, 13th Dec. 9 A.M.  
Nantao—Per Palaru, 13th Dec. 9 A.M.  
Sanbu—Per Ho Fu, 13th Dec. 9 A.M.  
Macao—Per Wingchait, 13th Dec. 9 A.M.  
Kongmoon, Kunchuk and Samshui—Per See Yup, 13th Dec. 9 A.M.  
Kongmoon, Kunchuk and Samshui—Per Tungkong, 13th Dec. 9 A.M.  
Yokohama and Kobe—Per Ambria, 14th Dec. 11 A.M.  
Macao—Per Heungshan, 14th Dec. 1.15 P.M.  
Kobe—Per Hoibow, 14th Dec. 2 P.M.  
Amoy, Swatow and Rangoon—Per Jelunga, 14th Dec. 3 P.M.  
Shanghai and Chi-kiang—Per Pakhoi, 14th Dec. 4 P.M.  
Kongmoon, Kunchuk and Samshui—Per See Yup, 14th Dec. 4 P.M.  
Hoibow, Pakhoi and Haiphong—Per Hoibow, 14th Dec. 5 P.M.  
Straits and Bombay—Per Capri, 15th Dec. 10 A.M.  
Bangkok—Per Machew, 15th Dec. 10 A.M.  
Europe, &c., India, via Taitoria—Per Armand Behtie, 15th Dec. 11 A.M.  
Mojib, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, B.C. and Seattle—Per Tosa Maru, 15th Dec. 3 P.M.  
Hilo—Per Wuchang, 15th Dec. 3 P.M.  
Shanghai—Per Hupoh, 15th Dec. 4 P.M.  
Kongmoon, Kunchuk and Samshui—Per See Yup, 15th Dec. 4 P.M.  
Swatow and Bangkok—Per Petchaburi, 16th Dec. 9 A.M.  
Manila, Timor, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne—Per Easton, 16th Dec. 10 A.M.  
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta—Per Kum-sang, 16th Dec. 10 A.M.  
Manila—Per Rosetta Maru, 16th Dec. 10 A.M.  
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver, H.C.—Per Empress of Japan, 16th Dec. 11 A.M.  
Manila—Per Kaifong, 16th Dec. 3 P.M.  
Kongmoon, Kunchuk and Samshui—Per See Yup, 16th Dec. 4 P.M.  
Kongmoon, Kunchuk and Samshui—Per See Yup, 17th Dec. 4 P.M.  
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and San Francisco—Per America Maru, 18th Dec. 11 A.M.  
Manila—Per Zofia, 19th Dec. 10 A.M.  
Mojib, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, (B.C.) and Tacoma—Per Tremont, 19th Dec. 10 A.M.  
Europe, &c., India, via Taitoria—Per Konig Albert, 23rd Dec. 11 A.M.  
Manila, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne—Per Chingtau, 30th Dec. 3 P.M.

## VISITORS AT THE HOTELS.

Occidental.  
Akehurst, C. A. Rehwaldt, Capt.  
Bourne, J. S. F. D. Rumpel, R.  
Cobb, Wm. R. B. K.  
Chandler, L. F. Schattachnes, Mr.  
Crosby, S. A. R. Schlechtweg, Gustav  
Gerrid, Capt. J. C. Schuster, Mrs. Von  
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Hertel, B. Stephens, H.  
Kew, Dr. F. Walters, S.  
Liddell, Mr. and Mrs. Widmer, Mr. and Mrs.  
Lopez, Amaro and child  
North, H. S. Wierthmann, Paul  
Pezaro, Lieut. T. Williamson, R.  
Petersen, A. Wolf, Richard De  
Pritwitz, A. V.

## THOMAS.

Aldrich, Geo. A. Hill, H. K.  
Allen, G. Hough, Dr.  
Bain, J. S. S. Lambkin, F.  
Bourne, J. S. S. Llanos, G.  
Burde, J. V. Morris, G. K.  
Cobb, Wm. R. B. K.  
Chandler, L. F. Schattachnes, Mr.  
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## HONGKONG.

Altman, G. I. Lichfield, B. S.  
Anderson, Mr. Lutz, Haus R.  
Ascoli, Mr. and Mrs. V. Macgowan, R. J.  
Barrett, H. Mackie, G.  
Bigelow, J. F. Marriott, Dr. O.  
Bleaton, Mr. and Mrs. Mast, Sidney  
Boggan, Mr. and Mrs. McAnan, T. P.  
Bonner, E. A. Meakin, C. W.  
Borthwick, Mrs. R. W. Meikle, Mr. & Mrs. E.  
Brown, W. S. Miller, P. L.  
Buck, Hart Mitchell, J. C. H.  
Byrons, Mrs. B. L. Moll, A. E.  
Champion, A. C. Murphy, Mr. and Mrs.  
Clark, W. G. Myer, Lt.  
Colson, F. S. North, C. J.  
Coulson, C. H. Oakley, Mr. and Mrs.  
Cowden, Mrs. A. R. Osborn, Mrs. F.  
Davies, Mrs. J. T. Parfitt, W.  
Deacon, F. B. Pattie, J. A.  
Dean, G. Potts, W. H.  
Denby, S. C. Ross, S. B. C.  
Douglas, Capt. & Mrs. J. Deveria, S.  
Downing, J. C. Schefer, A. H.  
Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. A. Schmidt, W. E.  
Emerson, A. Seeley, C. C.  
Fox, H. H. Simmers, Mr. and Mrs.  
Fisher, H. G. Skott, C.  
Gilbert, E. A. Snewin, E. A.  
Glover, C. Somerville, Geo.  
Grant, A. W. Somers, Mrs. E.  
Hall, Capt. T. Stacey, Lt. Col. J.  
Hanner, Thos. A. Stuart, Mrs. Leslie C.  
Haughton, W. B. Taylor, Mrs.  
Hayton, J. T. Thompson, G. A.  
Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon, Mr. and Mrs.  
Hogg, Mr. & Mrs. A. V. Wall, Mrs. L.  
Hooper, Mr. and Mrs. Wa, L.  
Isely, Rev. J. Watkins, G. A.  
Jackman, H. T. Whitton, Mrs. A. M.  
Jaffe, D. Williams, Mr. and Mrs.  
Johnson, J. H. Hannibal  
Joseph, Mr. and Mrs. Winn, A. Hood  
Keller, E. A. Wolff, Philip  
Kempfer, E. Woolmer, Mr. & Mrs.  
Leggatt, E. A. Wright, Mr. and Mrs.  
Lewis, J. H. Yim, Mr. and servant

## KING EDWARD.

Bailey, Chas. A. Muelin, Miss  
Bailey, Miss Cora W. Muelle, Ed. (Consul for  
Carter, H. B. Peru)  
Dodge, A. D. Reid, Arch.  
Ehardt, Capt. Rose, Mr. and Mrs. T.  
Hale, Mrs. M. P. Smith, B.  
Hawley, Miss W. Stephens, Mr. & Mrs.  
Hawley, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. D.  
Geo. T. Telati, Mr. and Mrs. M.  
Hawley, Mr. and Mrs. P.  
Geo. Vanderpole, Dr. and  
Hollingsworth, A. H. Mrs. Frank  
Lambkin, Mrs. Vaughan, H. S.

## CONNAUGHT.

Bain, J. W. Lee, G. E.  
Bauman, Theo. Llanos, Mr. and Mrs.  
Bauer, Dr. J. E. M.  
Campbell, R. J. Capt. Macfarlane, Dr. and  
J. R. J. R.  
Christie, Mrs. & Mr. D. Marston, Mr. and Mrs.  
Clark, Mrs. M. L.  
Cronin, John Newborn, R. H.  
Donald, W. H. Normans, Miss Leslie  
Dufour, Mrs. B. Paget, G. F.  
Dulot, Mme. Pratt, E.  
Edwards, E. Roberts, A. G.  
Eyre, Mr. and Mrs. H. Robertson, W. R.  
Goetschel, L. Rutherford, N. H.  
Hills, L. D. Thompson, G. L. Mrs.  
Howard, E. Whitmore, R.  
Hume, R. Williams, W. H.  
Lazarus, N.

## PRAK.

Allison, C. Lind, E. A.  
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## THE SHARE MARKET.

STOCKS.	PAID UP VALUE.	LAST DIVIDEND.	TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.
BANKS.			
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.....	\$ 125	Div. of £1.10/- @ 1/8=\$18 for half year ending 30.6.1903 .....	\$675
National Bank of China, Ltd.....	\$ 8	3/14=\$1.96 for 1902 .....	\$30 b.
Do. Founders.....	\$ 1	None .....	\$10
MARINE INSURANCES.			
Union In. Society of C'lon, Ltd.....	\$ 100	32 per cent=\$32 per share for 1902 ...	\$490
China Traders' In. Co., Ltd. ...	\$ 25	16 1/2=\$4 for year ended 30.4.1903 .....	\$57 ex div.
North China In. Co., Ltd.....	\$ 25	Final of £1 making £2 for 1902 .....	Tls. 220
Yangtze In. Association, Ltd.....	\$ 60	20 1/2=\$12 for 1901 .....	\$135
Canton In. Office, Ltd. ....	\$ 50	30 1/2=\$15 per share for 1902 .....	\$175 sa.
FIRE INSURANCES.			
Hongkong Fire In. Co., Ltd. ....	\$ 50	\$22 1/2 per share for 1901 .....	\$310 sa.
China Fire In. Co., Ltd. ....	\$ 20	\$6 per share for 1901 .....	\$90
SHIPPING.			
Hongkong, Canton, & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.....	\$ 15	\$14 for half-year ending 30.6.1903 ...	\$321 sa.
Iodo-China S. N. Co., Ltd.....	\$ 10	5 1/2 = 10/- per share for 1902 .....	\$75
China & Manila S.S. Co., Ltd.....	\$ 50	10 1/2 = \$5 per share for 1902 .....	\$18
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.....	\$ 50	Div. of \$3 for year ended 30.6.1903 .....	\$30
"Star" Ferry Co., Ltd.....	\$ 10	\$1.20 = 12 1/2 for year ending 30.6.1903 .....	\$30
"Shell" Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.....	\$ 1	60 cts. 3/4 1/2 .....	\$19
Taku Tug & Lighter Co., Ltd.....	Tls. 50	3rd Interim of 6d. for 1902 .....	£1 1/6
Shanghai Tug & Lighter Co., Ltd.....	Tls. 50	Interim of 2 1/2 for 1903 .....	Tls. 36
Do. Preference.....	Tls. 50	Interim of 4 1/2=Tls. 2.00 .....	Tls. 52 1/2 s.
		Interim of 3 1/2=Tls. 1.75 .....	Tls. 47 1/2 sa.
REFINERIES.			
China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.....	\$ 100	Fin. of \$7 making \$12 for 1901 .....	\$105
Luxon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.....	\$ 100	\$3 per share for 1897 .....	\$10
Perak Sugar Cultivation Co., Ltd.....	Tls. 50	Fin. of 7 1/2 for year ending 30.9.02 ...	Tls. 60
MINING.			
Punjom Mining Co., Ltd. ....	\$ 11	None .....	\$14 s.
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	Fr. 250	Fin. of Frs. 30 making Frs. 60 for 1902 .....	\$600 s.
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.....	£0.18.10	No. 12 of 1/- per share 28.1.01 .....	\$8 s.
Chinese Engineering & Mining Co., Ltd.....	\$ 1	No. 2 of 1/- per share 26.10.03 .....	Tls. 5.80
DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.			
Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.....	\$ 50	12 1/2=\$6 for 1 year 30.6.03 .....	\$205
S. C. Farnham, Boyd & Co., Ltd.....	Tls. 100	Final of Tls. 8 making Tls. 15 for year ending 30.4.03 .....	Tls. 125 sa.
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.....	\$ 50	Interim of \$2 1/2 for 1903 .....	\$93 b.
New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.....	\$ 50	\$2 1/2 for 1902 .....	\$38 s.
Shanghai & Hongkong Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.....	Tls. 100	Interim of Tls. 5 for 1903 .....	Tls. 195 b.
LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.			
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.....	\$ 10	8 1/2=80 cents per share for 1903 .....	\$92 sa.
Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd.....	\$ 100	Interim of \$6 for 1903 .....	\$151 b.
K'loon Land & Building Co., Ltd.....	\$ 30	\$2.30 per share for 1902 .....	\$35
West Point Building Co., Ltd.....	\$ 50	Interim of \$1 1/2 for 1903 .....	\$52 1/2 b.
Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd.....	\$ 50	\$6 for first 1/2-year 1903 .....	\$148 b.
Astor House Hotel Co., Ltd. (Shanghai) .....	\$ 25	2 1/2 % for year ending 30.6.03 .....	\$28 b.
Hotel des Colonies Co., Ltd. (Shanghai) .....	Tls. 25	6 % for year ending 31.3.03 .....	Tls. 13 1/2
Humphreys Estate & Finance Co., Ltd.....	\$ 10	9 per cent. for 1902 .....	\$11 b.
Shai Land Investment Co., Ltd.....	Tls. 50	Interim of 6 % for 1903 .....	Tls. 104 b.
COTTON MILLS.			
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving & Dyeing Co., Ltd.....	\$ 10	{ Final of 60 cents, making \$1 for } 1902/1903 .....	\$15 b.
Ewo Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.....	Tls. 50	3 % for period ended 31.10.97 .....	Tls. 40 s.
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.....	Tls. 75	Interim of 3 % on account of 1898 ...	Tls. 25 b.
Loat-kung-moon Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.....	Tls. 100	Interim div. of 4 % on acct. of 1898 ...	Tls. 35
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.....	Tls. 500	4 % for period ended 31.12.00 .....	Tls. 200
CIGAR AND TOBACCO COMPANIES.			
Alhambra, Ltd.....	\$ 500	25 % for year ending 30.6.1900 .....	\$250
Philippine Tobacco Trust Co., Ltd.....	\$ 50	None .....	\$15
Shanghai-Sumatra Tobacco Co., Ltd.....	Tls. 20	Interim of Tls. 3 per share .....	Tls. 52 sa.
MISCELLANEOUS.			
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd., China-Borneo Co., Ltd.....	\$ 10	12 1/2=\$1.20 per share for 1903 .....	\$24 1/2 b.
A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd.....	\$ 12	First year .....	\$8 sa.
Watkins, Ltd.....	\$ 10	Interim of 5 % for 1903 .....	\$142 sa.
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.....	\$ 10	\$1 per share for 1902 .....	\$74
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.....	\$ 5	90 cents for year ending 30.4.1903 ...	\$12.35 sa.
Hongkong & China Gas Co., Ltd.....	\$ 10	45 cents for year ending 30.4.1903 ...	\$64 b.
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd.....	\$ 50	10 % div. and 1 % bonus for 1901 .....	\$40 b.
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Ltd.....	\$ 25	\$10 for 1902 .....	\$145
Hongkong Ice Co., Ltd.....	\$ 25	15 per cent=\$3.75 for 1903 .....	\$47 1/2
Hongkong High-Level Tramways Co., Ltd.....	\$ 100	Interim of \$4 for 1903 .....	\$245
Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.....	\$ 6	\$18 for year ending 31.11.1902 .....	\$320 s.
Campbell, Moore & Co., Ltd.....	\$ 10	\$14 for year ending 31.7.1903 .....	\$128 b.
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ltd.....	£0.12.6	Div. of \$2 1/2 for 1902 .....	\$40 s.
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ltd.....	\$ 4	90 cents } for year ending 31.5.03 ... {	\$52 b.
Hongkong Steam Waterboat Co., Ltd.....	\$ 10	\$29.70 .....	\$50 b.
China Light & Power Co., Ltd.....	\$ 10	Final of 6 % making 12 % for year ...	\$158 b.
Manila Investment Co., Ltd.....	\$ 50	None .....	\$5 b.
William Powell, Ltd.....	\$ 10	None .....	\$15
Maatschappij tot Mijn. Bosch-on Landbouw exploitatie in Langkat, Limited .....	Guilders 100	\$1 for year ended 30.6.1903 .....	\$9
Shanghai & Hongkong Dyeing and Cleaning Co., Ltd.....	\$ 50	{ 4th Interim Dividend of Tls. 7 1/2 paid } 15.9.1903 .....	Tls. 312 1/2 sa.
South China Morning Post, Ltd.....	\$ 25	First year .....	\$50
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